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TAGS OVIP (CLINTON, HILLARY), UAE
SUBJECT: (U) Secretary Clinton's April 7, 2009 meeting
with UAE Foreign Minister Sheikh Abdullah bin Zayed

- 1.(U) Classified by Bureau Assistant Secretary Jeffrey Feltman. Reasons: 1.4 (b) and (d)
- 12. (U) April 7, 2009; 1:30 p.m.; Washington, DC.
- 13. (U) Participants:

U.S.

The Secretary Acting Assistant Secretary Jeffrey Feltman Jake Sullivan, S staff Barbara Masilko, NEA Notetaker

UAE

UAE Foreign Minister Sheikh Abdullah bin Zayed (AbZ) Ambassador Yousef al Otaiba Abdullah al Saboosi, UAE Notetaker

14. (S) SUMMARY. The Secretary reviewed the status of the US-UAE 123 agreement and additional action the UAE can take to encourage a positive C

Nuclear Cooperation and Export Control

- 15. (S) The Secretary expressed the Administration's commitment to the U.S.-UAE Agreement for Cooperation on the Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy
- 16. (S) Turning to the need to be prepared to respond to Congress, the Secretary committed to form a State Department committee including H, NF
- 17. (S) AbZ agreed that the August 2007 export control law had some "loopholes" and said that the UAE Cabinet "revisited" the issue last week.
- 18. (S) Otaiba noted that, even in the absence of a formal implementation committee, the UAE is taking action citing a recent case involving

Major Economies Forum

19. (S) The Secretary noted UAE interest in the Major Economies Forum on Energy and Climate (MEF). While noting that the UAE does not technical

Iran

110. (S) The Secretary said the U.S. is looking to see if Iran can be engaged in any productive manner and noted that Special Advisor Ross woul

Iraqi GCC plus 3

111. (S) The Secretary expressed interest in the Iraqi invitations for a GCC plus 3 meeting in Baghdad, at a date to be determined. She noted t

Afghanistan/Pakistan

- 112. (S) The Secretary told AbZ that the U.S. needs help to stem the flow of funds from the Gulf to the Taliban. She noted that one area of pot
- 113. (S) Thanking the UAE for hosting the Friends of Pakistan preparatory meeting, the Secretary said she hopes AbZ would attend the April dono
- 114. (S) AbZ express concern over Saudi Arabia's decision not to make a pledge at the Tokyo conference. AbZ said that the Saudis have never lik

Lebanon

115. (S) The Secretary noted the need to support Lebanese Armed Forces (LAF) in the run up to the elections with concrete displays of support.

Middle East Peace Process

- 116. (S) The Secretary thanked the UAE for its strong financial support for the Palestinian Authority (PA). The Secretary asked if AbZ had an u
- 117. (S) AbZ said that in addition to financial support for the PA it is important that the new Israeli government reach out to President Abbas CLINTON